

TENNESSEE DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION
STS Director 2 – Data Center Operations

Job Summary: Reports to the Chief Operating Officer of Technical Engineering Operations within Strategic Technology Solutions, is responsible for leading a team of IT professionals who will focus on providing IT offerings for Data Center Operations functions with the State.

Responsibilities:

- Assist in setting the strategic direction and priorities for the Data Center Operations teams.
- Promote existing and new service offerings to state agencies through Enterprise Operating Systems, Storage, Enterprise Backup, Enterprise Virtualization Technologies, Citrix, Data Center Engineering and Facilities Support within the Data Center Operations of STS.
- Gather input from relevant stakeholders to ensure operational planning accurately reflects the needs of state-wide initiatives within the Data Center environments.
- Manage customer expectations and negotiate solutions to complex problems with customers and vendors for assigned functional areas.
- Develop objectives to measure and improve organizational efficiency and performance through data and analytics.
- Provide consultation and recommendations to state agencies by identifying their technology challenges and explore how the Data Center Operations offerings can meet their business needs.
- Determine appropriate allocation of budgeted funds within functional areas to ensure that highest priority projects have sufficient monetary resources.
- Review and approve staffing, cost, revenue and timelines needed to complete projects to meet the strategic plan of the organization.
- Review and prioritize distribution of resource allocation to ensure alignment with state-wide goals and vision.
- Review and approve cost models and rates for IT service offerings within the Data Center Operations units.
- Evaluate existing workforce against current and future service offerings.
- Monitor the IT operational environment, to include assigned IT operations, infrastructure, and other relevant work systems through subordinates, key performance indicators, service level agreements, and other indicators to identify trends and proactively anticipate problems.
- Develop and maintain individual performance plans to evaluate team member's performance and adhere to the State's performance evaluation policies.
- Communicate status of responsibilities with management, peers, subordinates and customers via verbal and written mediums.

Minimum Qualifications: Bachelor's degree in an IT or Business related field. Relevant professional information technology experience may be substituted for the required degree.

- Ten years of experience directing IT operations and functions of complex difficulty.
- Five years of managerial experience.
- Experience working with Executive Leadership to create IT vision and IT strategies.
- Excellent interpersonal, written, and verbal communication skills.
- Excellent time management, organization, and prioritization skills.

Preferred Qualifications:

- Prior experience directing multiple groups within a Data Center environment.
- Prior state government experience is a plus.

Knowledge, Skills, Abilities, Competencies:

- Visionary
- Strategic Agility
- Priority Setting
- Drive for Results
- Building Effective Teams
- Conflict Management
- Business Acumen
- Problem Solving

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- Customer Focus
- Innovation Management
- Decision Quality
- Executive Communication
- Staff/Leadership Development

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